

**Resolution proposing to cooperate with the Director of Transportation to perform a study for the I-270 and Alum Creek Drive interchange, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer)**

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Department of Transportation has identified the need for the following described project:

This project proposes to perform a study of the I-270 and Alum Creek Drive interchange to address capacity and safety issues;

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO; HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE COUNTY:

Section 1) That being in the public interest, the Board of Franklin County Commissioners gives consent to the Director of Transportation to complete the above described project.

Section 2) That the County shall cooperate with the Director of Transportation in the above described project as follows:

- a) The County agrees to cooperate with the Director of Transportation of the State of Ohio in the planning of the identified highway improvement project and grants consent to the Ohio Department of Transportation for its development.
- b) The County agrees to assume and bear one hundred percent (100%) of the costs of preliminary engineering less the amount of federal and state funds set aside by the Director of Transportation up to a maximum amount of Sixty Thousand dollars, (\$60,000.00).
- c) The County agrees to be the lead agency for the City of Columbus.

Section 3) That the County agrees to acquire and/or make available to ODOT, in accordance with current State and Federal regulations, all necessary right-of-way required for the described project. Franklin County agrees to be responsible for all utility accommodation, relocation, and reimbursement and agrees that all such accommodations, relocations, and reimbursements shall comply with the current provisions of 23 CFR 645 and the ODOT Utilities Manual.

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Section 4) That upon completion of the described project, and unless otherwise agreed, the County shall; (a) provide adequate maintenance for the described project in accordance with all applicable state and federal law, including, but not limited to, 23 USC 116; (b) provide ample financial provisions, as necessary, for the maintenance of the described project; (c) maintain the right-of-way, keeping it free of obstructions; and (d) hold said right-of-way inviolate for public highway purposes.

Section 5) That the County Engineer of Franklin County, Ohio, is hereby empowered on behalf of the County to enter into contracts with ODOT pre-qualified consultants for the preliminary engineering phase of the project, other governmental agencies as necessary, and to enter into contracts with the Director of Transportation necessary to complete the above described project. Upon the request of ODOT, the County Engineer is also empowered to assign all rights, title, and interests of the County to ODOT arising from any agreement with its consultant in order to allow ODOT to direct additional or corrective work, recover damages due to errors or omissions, and to exercise all other contractual rights and remedies afforded by law or equity.

Section 6) That the County agrees that if Federal Funds are used to pay the cost of any consultant contract, the County shall comply with 23 CFR 172 in the selection of its consultant and the administration of the consultant contract. Further, the County agrees to incorporate ODOT's "Specifications for Consulting Services" as a contract document in all of its consultant contracts. The County agrees to require, as a scope of services clause, that all plans prepared by the consultant must conform to ODOT's current design standards and that the consultant shall be responsible for ongoing consultant involvement during the construction phase of the Project. The County agrees to include a completion schedule acceptable to ODOT and to assist ODOT in rating the consultant's performance through ODOT's Consultant Evaluation System.

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This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure to expedite the transportation project and to promote transportation safety. Following appropriate legislative action, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval, otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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